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BANDED FARMERS.

Something About the Grangers.

The following is an extract from a speech of T. J. Key, the head of the Patrons of Husbandry in Kentucky, made at Frankfort, when the State Grange was organized.

Many are ready to ask what is the necessity of the farmers organizing as Patrons of Husbandry? We answer this objection by asking why do other professions unite under the names of boards of trade, mechanical associations, chambers of commerce, freight combinations, pork packers' conventions? If these various interests have found it to their advantage to thus cooperate, why not permit the farmers to enjoy similar privileges? If unity of action has aided these various classes, it will certainly do as much for the farmers. It has become a matter of necessity to them in self-defense to organize, as other professions have set them the example, and forced them under the laws of self preservation to unite; and no sooner do the farmers begin to unite on the co-operative plan, than do those living in glass houses cry out, farmers, stop that, you have no right to combine against any business! It is now too late for the old co-operators to protest against the farmers proceeding with their organization, as they are now in earnest, and the Grange will continue to grow until it numbers 5,000,000 producers in its ranks and will stand as one man, determined no longer to submit to wrong, nor to ask nothing but what is just among men.

**MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT.**

The farmers have not the facilities to educate themselves that other enjoy who live in villages or cities, therefore, the Grange will be of great usefulness, "as stated to be sharpened steel." One intelligent, reading farmer will give his practical experience in some fully tested mode of cultivation in a regular meeting, and perhaps fifty men will return to their homes and put in execution his advice. The Grange resembles a legislative body, as it has its business transactions and all agricultural questions are fully discussed, and committees appointed to investigate prices of transportation, which is the best market to sell their produce in, and the cheapest to procure their supplies.

**IS IT POLITICAL?**

This movement has nothing to do with politics, it does not seek to pull down, nor build up either Republican or Democratic parties, but it is for the "right man in the right place" entirely ignoring party lines. In fact the discussion of political issues is forbidden by the constitution, but if any party or politician like a large rock on a railroad track, lays in the road of this reformation, it or he will be removed, and the Grange will roll on like the mighty engine in its grand and noble destiny of lightening the burdens of humanity.

All Patrons want to know of the candidate is, is he qualified? Is he opposed to monopolies? Is he honest? Is he for equal taxation. We have abandoned party, to inaugurate a thorough reformation and alleviate the distresses of our race. We are for healing the sectional wounds that party has so long made blood for designing men and propose to bring together the people of the North and South as one family in the Grange, ADVANTAGES OF CO-OPERATIVE PLANS.

The farmers movement has had the desirable result of bringing the producer and the manufacturer nearer together than heretofore, increasing the sales of and reducing the cost of the other. It is estimated that the farmers of Iowa will save this year \$2,000,000 by purchasing direct from the manufacturers all their agricultural implements. The State Grange of Mississippi have called a gentleman from his country home and sent him to New Orleans to handle their cotton, through whom their planters in drainage and storage will save over \$300,000. It will devote upon you Masters to select a suitable and honest man to receive the hemp, corn, wheat, hay, tobacco and stock in Kentucky at Louisville, the commercial headquarters of our State, and to purchase from the manufacturers all kinds of implements for the Grangers. Should the price for pork continue unprofitable to the grower, it may be found necessary to establish a co-operative warehouse there, where the hogs of the State may be packed and sold in the cured state and the proceeds divided pro rata to hogs furnished.

**MIDDLE MEN.**

This movement is meeting with the strenuous opposition of middle men, as it will leave them, like Odello, without an occupation. In the bee-hive there are three kinds of bees—the queen, the drones and the workers. The queen lays all the eggs, the workers make the honey, and the drones do nothing but eat. After the swarming period is over the workers commence driving the drones from the hive and clip their wings until the hive is free of drones. The hive is an illustration of society—the soil is queen, the farmers are the workers, and the middle-men are the drones, who do but little and yet sip the honey. The period has now come that the farmers propose to cut some of the honey they have so unprofitably labored to make, and to do this they must get around some of the middle-men and purchase directly from the manufacturers, as the middle men have been taking more than their share of profits—eating more than their share of honey. There have been too many drones or non-producers in the beehive of life, and the workers—farmers—now want to enjoy their proportion of the sweets of their labors.

The farmer may drive his beef to market that has required his full attention for two years and the butcher who lays

that beef will realize more from the sale of it within twenty-four hours than the grower did in two years. The Grangers will open their markets in the cities and receive better prices for the produce than at present and sell to the consumer at less than he now pays. It is an erroneous opinion that the Grange movement will increase the prices of the necessities of life—the interest of the manufacturers, the laborers, and the farmers are one. The six millions of agriculturists of the United States have the right to buy what manufactured articles they may need where they can buy them cheapest, and no class of tradesman can question this right.

**ANTI-MONOPOLY.**

By special legislation a few persons and chartered corporations have become so powerful that the people have become mere slaves to their moneyed power, of J. Cook & Co., to confirm this statement. The country is in a pitiable condition when the failure of one firm ruins, and has distressed thirty millions of people. America has its national kings as well as its bank kings. The railroad magnates fix their rates of tariff and transportation as high as they desire, and the people have been forced to pay their prices, but they have received all their authority from the legislature, and now the Grangers propose to regulate their rates by the same powers that granted them their privileges—by legislation. Laws should be made for the good of all and not to grant privileges to a few.

**EQUAL TAXATION.**

The declaration of Independence sets out with the doctrine of equal rights to all, but by partial legislation the capitalists who may own \$20,000,000 government bonds, and draws six per cent, semi-annually in gold, but pays no tax on it, while the farmer who has his all in ten acres must pay his tax or his home will be sold from him. This is not justice between the subjects of the same government—"equal taxation and equal rights" is one of the Grangers' mottoes.

Determined to make one unified effort to bring the government back to its original purity, and to overthrow those who have enriched themselves at the expense of the toiling masses—therefore they propose to let alone the back-salary men of all names and grades.

**REDUCTION OF TARIFF.**

The Patrons of Husbandry are in favor of a tariff revenue, but not one cent for protection, and they demand that iron, lumber and salt be placed on the free list. Through enactment of the Congress the Southern West pay to the manufacturers of the small State of Massachusetts annually as tribute money the astounding sum of \$75,000,000. No wonder that her people become rich while those of the West and South become poorer. Such laws of protection lay the many to enrich the few. In the words of the great Webster, the Patrons of Husbandry demand "equal and exact justice to all men."

**CREDIT SYSTEM.**

One of the aims of this association is to sweep the credit system which has been a curse to every class, but more especially to the farmer. Therefore he has been laying on a credit, and of course the merchant must pay his prices correspond with the length of the time that he gives the credit. It will be the duty of the betterment in every subdivision, Grange to urge upon the membership the great necessity of adopting the cash rule, "pay as they go." This principle strictly carried out will result in much good to all classes of business men, and free the producers from many errors, and the happy effects will be felt by all.

**ECONOMICAL PRINCIPLES.**

While it is urged upon the Patrons to be economy and pay cash, they shall insist that the same rules shall be applied to the administration of our State and national affairs, and the first measure to meet this desirable end is to remove the causes that have created the heavy taxation. First will be the reduction of the large salaries given to the various government officials, and, secondly, the reduction of the army. In 1861 the army numbered 10,000 men—now it has 50,000, and the estimated expense of maintaining this army for 1873, is \$22,415,452, being a tax of eleven and one-half cents per head for every inhabitant of the nation. The army should be reduced to 10,000 men, and thus save to the people \$17,000,000 per annum. We do not need any army in our midst, nor soldiers part of the voting precincts—the people are the overlords, and they can and will see the laws enforced without the presence of the soldiery. In times of peace a people, from people do not wish to be taxed to support a large army when it is only necessary to have enough to secure the borders and protect the Western frontier.

**PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.**

This appears to be a week initiation of the Patrons of Husbandry, the constitution and laws belonging to that order being mainly copied. Its ostensible object is to make mechanics and laboring men a body like that of the Patrons of Husbandry, but its real object seems to be to transfer money from the pockets of those who live by their wits. The headquarters is advertised as being in New York, but we have not yet seen any one who has succeeded in finding the head office. It looks like a concern that will do us harm if let alone.—*Amesbury.*

**A WITTY CHINESEMAN.**

A Chinese man, who was in Washington, was asked by a man who was self up severely, when you received a despatch through her evening, and he said: "What do you know?" "New York displays her silks and diamonds, and pretty asks: 'What are you worth?'" Philadelphia, with prim hands and pursed-up lips, asks: "Who was your grandfather?" While Washington sits between the waltz and the German to inquire: "Can you dance?"

PADDY'S VERDICT OF "EX-CERNOLO."

Two growing dark in terrible fact, When growing a town up the mountain there passed.

A brood of a day, to his neck in the snow; As he walked his stiltish for swing in the snow, saying, "It's till the top I bound for to go, Be jabber!"

He looked mortal sad, and his eyes were as bright As a fire of turf on a cold winter night, And a devil of a word that he said could ye tell.

As he opened his mouth and let out a yell, "It's up to the top of the mountain I'll go, O'ne covered with this butter-milk snow, Be jabber!"

Through the window he saw, as he traveled along, The light of the candles and fire so warm. But a big chunk of ice fell over his head; Wild as a wild cat, and growl, he said, Patrick, he said,

It's up to the very tip of I will reach, And then if I fall, it's not a goodly reach, Be jabber!"

With a big, red, old man whose head was as white As the snow that fell down on that winter night, As the snow that fell down on that winter night, Shure ye'd fall in the water and be a big fish, Be jabber!"

He'd hold his head to a word that was said, But he'd go to the top, if he went on his head, Be jabber!"

A bright, young young girl, such as like to be kissed, And him wouldn't she stop, and how could he resist?

She snatched his fingers and winking his eye, With his hand on her hip, he made his reply: "Be jabber!"

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A Manual of Health.

An edition of between nine and ten millions of copies of a very useful work, now ready for gratuitous distribution, and can be had for the asking at any drug store in the United States, the British colonies, Spanish America or Brazil. The work referred to is a Household Manual of Health, and sets forth the peculiar properties of Hostetter's Stomach Remedy—the most and best tonic at present known—as a preservative of health and strength, and as a remedy for debility and disease. The Almanac is printed in all the principal languages of the civilized world, and reaches a larger number of families and individuals than any other medical treatise that ever issued from the press. No man of common sense, who is desirous of the best of health, and a longer number of years of vigorous life, should fail to read the plain, simple and convincing articles which this only practical publication contains. The numerous matters varied, instructive and amusing, and the calendar department copious and comprehensive. Hostetter's Almanac is, in short, a household convenience, adapted to the use of all classes and callings. The farmer, the planter, the miner, the merchant, the mechanic, the laborer, the professional man, all need it, and to a family of book-seekers it is literally an article of prime necessity. The medical treatise, which is a part of the Almanac, is a treatise intended for popular use, intelligible to the general reader, and has been carefully revised in this part by Dr. J. C. Smith, a physician of high standing, and a member of the medical faculty of the University of Maryland. The Almanac is a work of great value, and one which every family should possess. It is a work of great value, and one which every family should possess. It is a work of great value, and one which every family should possess.

The Rush to Kansas and Colorado.

The indications are that the rush to Kansas and Colorado will be greater than ever in 1874. The shortest way to reach the far West is through St. Louis, the great Mississippi Valley City, of the inhabitants and the west of the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern Short Line, which reaches all the great cities and the West, and runs as fast as Express trains more than any other road. This road, in the last two years, has expended over two million dollars, besides earnings, in extraordinary improvements of roadway, in relieving its line with the best quality of new steel and iron rails, and new ties, and in passenger equipments, having substituted for ordinary cars new rolling stock, and every appliance for comfort and safety, being elegantly carpeted and fitted with dressing rooms, with toilet conveniences for ladies, gentlemen and baggage, and every other convenience for the traveler. Any ticket agent selling through tickets to the West will furnish tickets by this excellent route through St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern Short Line, and the best and shortest to Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, California and the great West, it being the only line running through the heart of St. Louis and Kansas City. For new, electric and time tables, address E. McCarthy, (Union) St. Louis, Mo., or J. H. McArthur, (Union) St. Louis, Mo., who will furnish any information desired.

"Doctor," said an old lady, the other day to her family physician, "Kin you tell me how it is that some folks are born dumb?" "Why, then, certainly not," replied the doctor, "it is owing to the fact that they come into the world minus the power of speech. 'Ain't me!' remarked the old lady: "now just see what it is to have physic! I've axed my old man a hundred times that or some thing and all that I could ever get out of him was, 'kase they're'!"

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